GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4291
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PROBLEM FACED BY PRAGA TOOLS LIMITED
KAMBALAPADU E. KRISHNAMURTHY

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that Praga Tools Limited a defence tools company is facing financial/administrative problems;

(b) if so, whether any financial package or rehabilitation measures are proposed/being proposed by the Government to make the company run smoothly;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) to (d): Praga Tools Ltd., is a subsidiary of HMT Limited, under the Administrative Control of Department of Heavy Industry.The Company is with the BIFR, a quasi-judicial body.A revival package was sanctioned by the Government in May 1999. Two efforts in 1998 and 2001 at Joint Venture formation have not succeeded.